



## **Environmental Review of Seattle Telecommunications Utilities**

Most telecommunication utilities are subject to environmental review under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). To determine whether SEPA applies, consult Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) Ch. 25.05.800AA and DCLU Director's Rule 23-2000 Part IV.F through L.

Following are the only telecommunications projects categorically exempt from SEPA:

1. Microcells attached to a structure that does not contain a residence or a school
2. Wireless antenna other than (larger than) a Microcell that is attached to a structure that is not a residence or a school AND located in a Commercial, Downtown, or Industrial zone.
3. Personal wireless towers less than 60 feet in height AND located in a Commercial, Downtown or Industrial zone.

NOTE: equipment cabinets associated with antennas to be located in the right-of-way are only subject to SEPA if the antennas are subject to SEPA.

\* "Microcell" means a wireless communication facility consisting of an antenna that is either: 1) Four (4) feet in height and with an area of not more than five hundred eighty (580) square inches; or 2) If a tubular antenna, no more than four (4) inches in diameter and no more than six (6) feet in length.